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Report Highlights:

Forecast of Nigeria's wheat and corn imports have been revised downwards to reflect the impact of rising international market prices and recent sharp devaluation in the local currency.

Includes PSD changes: Yes

Includes Trade Matrix: No

Unscheduled Report

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Executive Summary

Wheat--Forecast of Nigeria's wheat imports in 2002/03 marketing year (July/June) has been revised to 2.5 million metric tons (mt), down from 2.7 million mt reported earlier(NI2009). Available trade estimates for the first three months of the 2002/03 marketing year suggest that despite a reduction in GON's import duty on wheat from 15 percent to 5 percent in March 2002, U.S. wheat exports to Nigeria is slowing down. Industry sources attribute the slow down to rising wheat prices and the sharp devaluation in the local currency witnessed in the past three months. Demand for wheat-based products are currently stifled by rising product prices.

Corn--Nigeria's domestic corn supplies have not kept pace with rapidly increasing demand and domestic prices are three times above world market prices. Nigerian farmers are unable to respond to the market signals to increase output, due in part to lack of inputs, credit and extension experts. A leading feed manufacturer in Nigeria (and the sole corn importer), did purchase U.S. feed corn between February and August 2002. Based on the information provided by this company, post has revised its import estimate for the 2001/02 marketing year (Oct./Sept.) to 23,500 mt, down from 60,000 mt estimated earlier. Currently, AgOffice forecasts MY2002/03 corn imports at 40,000 mt based on industry information.

Exchange Rate : US\$1 = 127 Naira

PSD Table : Wheat

PSD Table						
Country	Nigeria					
Commodity	Wheat				(1000 HA)(1000 MT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Harvested	35	35	35	35	0	35
Beginning Stocks	200	200	200	200	200	200
Production	45	45	50	50	0	50
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	1913	1913	2000	2350	0	2500
Jul-Jun Imports	1913	1913	2000	2350	0	2500
Jul-Jun Import U.S.	1476	1476	0	2000	0	2300
TOTAL SUPPLY	2158	2158	2250	2600	200	2750
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-Jun Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	60	0	100
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1958	1958	2050	2400	0	2550
Ending Stocks	200	200	200	200	0	200
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	2158	2158	2250	2600	0	2750

PSD Table : Corn

PSD Table						
Country	Nigeria					
Commodity	Corn				(1000 HA)(1000 MT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		10/2000		10/2001		10/2002
Area Harvested	3200	3200	3400	3400	0	3500
Beginning Stocks	100	100	100	100	100	100
Production	4000	4000	5000	5000	0	5200
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	0	0	0	23	0	40
Oct-Sep Imports	0	0	0	23	0	40
Oct-Sep Import U.S.	0	0	0	23	0	40
TOTAL SUPPLY	4100	4100	5100	5123	100	5340
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct-Sep Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	200	200	250	300	0	400
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	4000	4000	5000	5023	0	5240
Ending Stocks	100	100	100	100	0	100
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	4100	4100	5100	5123	0	5340